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| In re Application of | : | |
| GRUTKE, et al. | : | DECISION ON |
| Application No.: 10/088,407 | : | |
| PCT No.: PCT/EP00/08913 | : | PETITION UNDER |
| Int. Filing Date: 12 September 2000 | : | |
| Priority Date: 13 September 1999 | : | 37 CFR 1.137(b) |
| Attorney Docket No.: 50728 | : | |
| For: BIODEGRADABLE, THERMOPLASTIC | : | |
| MOLDING MATERIALS | : | |

The petition to revive under 37 CFR 1.137(b) filed 19 March 2002 in the above-captioned application is hereby **GRANTED** as follows:

Applicant's statement that the "the entire delay in taking the necessary steps to enter the National Stage in the United States and filing the enclosed documentation with the USPTO from the due until the filing of this petition was unintentional" meets the requirements of 37 CFR 1.137(b)(3).

A review of the application file reveals that applicant has provided payment of the full U.S. Basic National Fee and the requirements of 37 CFR 1.137(b) have been satisfied. Therefore, the request to revive the application abandoned under 35 U.S.C. 371(d) is granted as to the National Stage in the United States of America. Further, a review of the application file reveals that all of the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 371 for entry into the national stage in the United States have been satisfied.

As authorized, \$260.00 will be deducted from Deposit Account No.: 11-0345 (\$130.00 as payment of the surcharge for providing an oath or declaration later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date and \$130.00 as payment of the processing fee for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date.

This application is being returned to the United States Designated/Elected Office for processing in accordance with this decision. The 35 U.S.C. 371(c) date is **19 March 2002**.

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